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# Greening's POPULAR PERENNIAL PLANTS

## PHLOX

The Phlox is one of the most beautiful, most useful and most lasting of hardy perennials. The newer varieties bear enormous masses of flowers.

Their blooming season is from June to August, while in a few weeks the early summer flowers have stopped blooming and the flowers are in the bud stage.

### Tricolor Collection

Red, White, and Blue or rich lavender is the color of the variety Mrs. Chas. Dorr.

How every American heart and eye responds to the tricolor.

Here is the best of these shades—in collection. One strong plant of each for..... **\$1.25**

**SOLD ONLY IN COLLECTION**



*Greening's Tricolor Phlox Collection.*

## The Greening Nursery Company

Monroe, Michigan

Born 1850—Still Growing





# Easy to Grow—A Riot of Color from Spring until Frost; Plant a Perennial Garden



**Foxglove.** 3 to 4 ft.  
Price, 3 for \$1.25.

**Digitalis** *Gloxiniaeflora* (Foxglove). A grand display of thimble-shaped flowers in immense spikes during July and August. Tall growing with large, rough foliage.

**Campanula** (Bellflower). These are among the showiest of May and June-blooming perennials. Their bold spikes of flowers in rose-pink, blues and whites make them extra desirable, as they are fine for cutting.

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**Campanula—Canterbury Bells.** May and June. 2 to 3 ft. Price, 3 for \$1.25.



**Coreopsis.** 2 to 3 ft. June to September.  
Price, 3 for \$1.25.

**Coreopsis lanceolata** (Lance-leaved Coreopsis). Very popular. Flowers rich golden yellow. Valuable for cutting. Main crop in June, but continues in bloom the entire Summer and Autumn.



**Delphinium Belladonna.** 3 to 5 ft. June and July. Price, 3 for \$1.25.

**Oriental Poppy** (*Papaver Orientale*). Brilliant with immense, flaming flowers of orange-scarlet, in early Spring.



**Oriental Poppy.** 3 to 4 ft. Early June.  
Price, 3 for \$1.50.

**Pyrethrum Hybridum** (Painted Daisy). A very satisfactory and profitable species which provides not only a colorful garden show from June on throughout the Summer, but also a charming cut flower. The flower construction varies from a full petaled anemone shape, thus resembling the Marguerites. The colors are mostly bright in shades of red and pink, a mixture revealing considerable diversity which increases their effectiveness.



**Pyrethrum.** 1 to 2 ft.  
Price, 3 for \$1.25.

**Aquilegia** (*Columbine*). Distinct, clear-cut foliage and delicate arrangement of colors; suitable for rock-work, at the base of foundation walls and under trees. Bloom in early Spring.



**Aquilegia—Columbine.** 2 ft. Price, 3 for \$1.25.  
Late Spring and Early Summer.



**Delphinium Canadensis.** 1½ to 2½ ft. Dwarf Larkspur. Its deeply notched fern-like foliage is magnificent.  
Price, 3 for \$1.25.

**Delphinium** (Larkspur). Indispensable to the herbaceous garden. Long, showy spikes of flowers persist from June till frost. **Belladonna.** Magnificent, large spikes of turquoise-blue.



**Sweet William.** 12 to 15 inches. May to July.  
Price, 3 for \$1.25.

**Dianthus Barbatus** (Sweet William). The old-fashioned favorite producing great masses of bloom of extremely rich and varied colors. Flowers are lasting and fine for cutting.



**Platycodon—Balloon Flower.**  
Price, 3 for \$1.25.

**Platycodon grandiflora** (Balloon Flower). Blooms constantly from July until late in September; flowers large, bell-shaped, in numerous loose racemes.



**Gaillardia.** 1 to 2 ft. July to September.  
Price, 3 for \$1.25.

**Gaillardia grandiflora** (Blanket Flower). One of the most gorgeous of all perennials, providing an unfailing supply of bloom, in rich, tawny shades. Flowers often measure 3 inches in diameter.



**Shasta Daisy.** June to September.  
Price, 3 for \$1.25.

**Shasta Daisy** Pure white with yellow eye. Plants are extremely productive of bloom, making a spectacular field show and a profitable cut-flower supply.

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**Hibiscus—Mallow Marvels.** 3 to 5 ft.  
August and September.  
Price, 3 for \$1.25.



**Gypsophila—Baby's Breath.** July and August.  
2 to 3 feet. Price, 3 for \$1.25.

**Hibiscus** Mallow Marvels. A robust type of upright habit. Flowers large, in all the richest shades of crimson, pink, and white. Mixed colors only.

**Gypsophila** (Baby's Breath). Very branching or spreading, slender plants, with scant foliage when in bloom. Of easiest culture in open, rather dry places. Desirable where a mass of delicate, misty bloom will fill in a bare place.

## Hollyhocks

An old garden favorite, full of sentiment and association with a distant past. Strong, vigorous growth and noble aspect, with elegant camellia-like flowers that form perfect rosettes of the most lovely shades. They require a deep, rich soil and a sunny corner, but will repay by their gorgeous and lavish bloom all the attention bestowed upon them.

## Hardy Garden Chrysanthemum

Flowers give a succession of beauty throughout the Summer, but when Fall comes we have the best in reserve. Old-fashioned hardy Chrysanthemums. Will not Winter-kill. Late Fall blooming. 3 for \$1.25.

**Yucca filamentosa** (Adam's Needle). Among hardy plants there is nothing more effective and striking for isolated positions on the lawn or on dry banks where few other plants thrive. Its broad, swordlike, evergreen foliage and immense branching spikes of drooping, creamy white flowers, rise to a height of 6 feet. Should be planted in Spring.



**Yucca Filamentosa.** 5 to 6 ft.  
June and July.  
Price, 3 for \$1.50.



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# Hardy Perennials

The flowers of the perennial group are those that made glad the hearts of our grandmothers. Pamed in "Song and Story" the "Old-Fashioned Garden" was planted mainly with Foxgloves, Delphiniums, Sweet Williams, Columbines, Phlox, Coreopsis, Canterbury Bells, Daisies and Hardy Poppies.

What a part the gorgeous perennial has played in giving happiness to generations past and what an ever increasing part they will play in the garden of the future.

No words of praise that we might write would do justice to their enthralling color, their ease of cultivation or their adaptability to a wider range of soils and climatic conditions.

**WHY.** Perennials are planted primarily for their wealth of flowers. With the proper selection of varieties, our gardens may be kept bright and cheery with bloom from before the first robin's song in Spring, until Nature herself gives up the glorious task in early Winter.

**WHEN.** Perennials may be planted as early in Spring as the ground is workable (or in the Autumn); selecting a time when the soil is not cold or wet. Large clumps are not necessary, the smaller divisions show more thrift and virility, and develop into more shapely plants.

**WHERE.** Proper location and correct distribution are important and should receive serious consideration. Any good soil enriched with rotted manure or bone meal, dug deeply and thoroughly mixed, will prove satisfactory.

Coarse-leaved, tall growing sorts should be located in the background. The front of the border should be laid out in the dwarf growing kinds. Intermediate rows will take care of the great majority of perennials; the principal requirement in their location being to so dispose that colors will not clash, nor be unequally distributed. Variation in blooming season should also govern location, in order to have no section of the garden without some show of color at any time of the year.

**HOW.** Spacing. In planting perennials it is safe to space those varieties which do not grow above 2 feet, about 12 inches apart; the taller ones at an interval one-half the ultimate height.

**Cultivation.** Don't let up with the hoe! Keep the ground well cultivated, leveled and free from litter.

**Winter Protection.** Everything listed is "hardy," but in varying degree. A light covering of coarse straw, manure or leaves (not over 2 or 3 inches deep) will give comfort to all kinds, and insure safety for the weak.

## Greening's Service

has demonstrated that Perennials generally are most effective when used in sufficient number to obtain mass color effect. Single or individual plantings, our customers have advised us, give only experience and not always satisfactory results. **PLEASE NOTE.** All Perennials are offered in groups of not less than three of a kind. No order for less than 6 Perennials will be filled.

## Greening's Double Guarantee

Years of experience and an honest desire to serve our friends and customers in the right way means:

1st. All plants and trees sold by Greening's are guaranteed to be true to name and free from injurious disease and insects.

2nd. Postage and packing is free. Safe delivery in good planting condition is guaranteed.

If delay on the part of the carrier results in receipt in bad condition, our customers will please notify us within ten days.

It must be evident to all fair thinking people that there are many attendant factors of weather, soil, insect pests, cultural care, etc., and that these are beyond our control. Thus the Greening Nursery Company assumes no responsibility for growth or planting results other than the unusual conditions embodied in

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## Monroe, Michigan



## Greening's Economy Groups

### \$10 Brings You

Thirty (30) splendid perennials selected for color, continuity of bloom and growth. Plants a bed or border 3x10 feet.

### \$18 Delivers

Sixty (60), not a double order, but greater variety of old-fashioned permanent garden flowers for a bed or border 3x20 feet.

### \$25 Group

How can the garden lover spend \$25.00 so intelligently as insuring a wide range of color and permanency in this group of ninety perennials.

